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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, Applicants hereby make of record the documents listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (1 page) for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. While the references are being submitted herewith, some or all of the references may not constitute prior art under the U.S. patent laws.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c)(2). Respectfully submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$180.00 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p). In the event any additional fee is due in connection with this response or if any fee has been overpaid, the deficiency or overpayment should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

Applicants respectfully request that the references cited in the accompanying Form PTO-1449 be considered and made of record. Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are patentable over all of the references made of record at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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